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August 27, 2010

Gene Albaugh, City Manager
Nevada City
317 Broad Street
Nevada City, CA 95959

Dear Gene:

The Nevada City Chamber of Commerce fully supports the Nevada City and County governments, as well as the citizens and businesses of Nevada City, in their efforts to retain the Nevada County Courthouse in downtown Nevada City, its home for the last 150 years.

As the representative body for the businesses of Nevada City, we urge the Administrative Office of the Courts to make every effort possible to retain the Nevada County Courthouse within downtown Nevada City. We understand the need for new court facilities, and existing sites adjacent to the current courthouse can be made available to the state for development -- with all infrastructures in place.

The courthouse has always been a vital ingredient to our downtown and over the years has become integral to our economy. Small towns often bear the burden of "progress." Frequently, commerce and government administrations move to outlying areas where "new and modern" presume to be better than "Main Street," the traditional center of small town life. A courthouse represents vitality to a city center. It is a heart -- one that has been beating in our town since the Gold Rush. We ask the AOC to be mindful of our history and to keep the Courthouse in Nevada City, where it has been standing sentinel for many years.

Sincerely yours,

David Painter
President, Nevada City Chamber of Commerce

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August 24, 2010

Gene Albaugh
City of Nevada City
317 Broad Street
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Dear Gene,

We are writing today with an exciting opportunity to participate in an historic event this fall. ***Reclaiming the Sierra: A Gold Country Community Summit on Mining Impacts*** will be held November 8 & 9, 2010 in Nevada City, California. We believe this free event will create new relationships between government regulators, public and private land managers, conservation leaders, engineers, scientists and funders to help address mining's lasting legacy.

Reclaiming the Sierra will be the first public conference bringing together scientists, government regulators, healthcare professionals, remediation firms, tribal leadership, funders, and many others to focus on addressing the ongoing effects of historic mining. In addition to speakers and workshops, the Summit will feature a Services Expo, tours of historic mine sites and Brownfields remediation projects, graduate student poster exhibits, and new technologies. At the Summit we will launch two new programs:

- Our ***Sierra Environmental Services Directory***: This free online resource will connect public and private land owners who have environmental contamination problems with the scientific, legal and financial expertise they need to clean up their properties. The first edition of the Directory will be published in the Summit program.
- Our **Mining Toxins Working Group**: This ongoing forum for networking and interaction among the many organizations working to address Mining's Toxic Legacy will help establish resources and communication pathways to keep the conversation flowing.

The Summit is a perfect opportunity for the work of you agency to reach its target audience. The enclosed information explains how Nevada City can sponsor this historic event, or be listed at no charge in our Services Directory. We are seeking your financial support for the Summit and activities of the Working Group. In return, Nevada City will receive recognition as a sponsor of this free event, advertising space in our Directory, and display space at the Services Expo.

We hope that you will consider joining us as partners in the Summit and in our ongoing work to address threats to the California's watershed posed by legacy mining toxins. We will call you in the next few days to discuss this opportunity. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Elizabeth "Izzy" Martin
CEO

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NEVADA CITY LIONS CLUB

P.O. Box 395
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March 24, 2010

City of Nevada City
City Hall
Nevada City, CA 95959

RE: Donation of Street Barriers

The Lions Club of Nevada City hereby is donating our supply of 116 street barriers to the City of Nevada City.

These are the barriers that have been used from time to time during events on Broad Street and any other locations.

Chuck Woerner
President
Lions Club of Nevada City



We Serve

Corey Shaver

From: Bob Wyckoff [bobwyckoff@sbcglobal.net]
Sent: Monday, August 30, 2010 8:07 PM
To: Corey Shaver
Cc: Gene Albaugh; Paul Matson
Subject: City Council Correspondence

Hi Corey,

Would you kindly include this correspondence in the council packets? I'm sending Gene separately and also to Paul Matson.

I have lost half of my hearing and it's almost impossible for me to attend let alone speak at meetings! Yes, the VA has given me hearing aids but they are not a lot of help. Whatever, pretty ruff for a 39 year old stud!

Thank you,

Bob

"Mom, there's a revisionist hiding in our garden!"

By Bob Wyckoff, M.A.
Historic Preservation Officer
City of Nevada City, California 95959

"Hush, child maybe he'll go away."

I sincerely hope so. The time is now to scotch any and all plans to revise in any way Calanan Park. To bring it up to "21st century standards," or to "modernize it," would be to defeat what many of us in the western county have labored long and hard for many moons to preserve: a display of our 19th century gold mining heritage.

We have adopted historical districts with accompanying ordinances to help maintain our buildings in as near original condition as possible. To that end we have also undergrounded overhead utility wires and installed street illuminating gaslights and granite curbstones. National register of historic places listings, tax incentives are a few other means to the preservation end. Nevada City's multi-million dollar Downtown Betterment Project of the early 1970s, brought back and stabilized the core area to as near 19th century appearance as feasible given 20th century building codes. The project evidently achieved its goal since the League of California Cities singled out Nevada City as a sterling example of preservation rather than reconstruction.

I have watched visitors to Calanan Park "Oh," "Ah!" and photograph as they read the plaques and touch the displayed artifacts including the monitor. Yes, and the kids have fun climbing all over the nozzle and I don't recall hearing about "all those injuries." They inspect the ore car, the shaft core from the Idaho-Maryland and wonder at the gate valve. The examples and relics of our mining past are treasures.

Marveling at the park's artifacts is not reserved for the tourist alone, many of our newer residents are learning of their county's rich heritage. Using the railings from the dismantled Gault Bridge as interior park fencing is inspired! Local service and social clubs and societies are partners in the display by supplying bronze artifact identifying plaques. Our mineral wealth provided jobs, homes, and a high standard of living for not only the miners but the merchants as well. The county's economy prior to World War II, was based

almost entirely on the production of gold. The legendary Empire, North Star, Idaho-Maryland, Golden Center, to name a few in Grass Valley; coupled with Nevada City's Champion, Murchie, Ziebright (Bear Valley) and others were all household names.

Today's area economy is mainly tourist oriented to the extent that seminars are regularly held on "How to improve the climate so we may attract more visitors." To give them what they have at home (e.g. a modern 21th century small park as found in San Francisco or the East Bay or yes, even Los Angeles) is to totally defeat our responsibility to maintain and preserve our economic and cultural heritage.

And while were talking preservation of representations of the past; let's take a look at what fueled our post-WWII, economic engine- forest products. Pine, cedar and fir trees were felled, sawed, planed and hauled to markets and constructions sites state nation, and worldwide.

We cursed the log haulers as they crept along clogging our narrow highways on their way to Caffey and Rice, Spring Hill, Matson, Yuba River, Brunswick, Grizzly Creek, G.N. Dodge, Tahoe Sugar Pine (Washington), Valley Lumber and myriad other saw mills of various size and capacity.

Would it not be prudent to preserve a representation of that economic era? The much maligned white fir (*Abies concolor*) that standing sentry at the NW corner of Union and Broad is a living representation of our lumbering heritage which goes back as far as gold mining itself. And besides, we love our gaily lighted conifer at Christmas holidays time. The fir inherited the job and title of "Town Tree," when the giant sequoia at the foot of Prospect Hill was felled in 1965, to make way for the Golden Center Freeway. It is truly a heritage tree.

Without a reliable supply of mine and flume timbers there would have been no gold mines and no water projects. And look at our dear departed Nevada County Narrow Gauge Railroad with its "steel rails and study cross ties; high trestles here and there," would not have been possible without our sawmills.

Folks, I submit that it's a no-brainer: keep hands off Calanan Park, prune the shrubbery a little, other than that it's okay just as it is!



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July 7, 2010

City of Nevada City
317 Broad St
Nevada City, CA 95959

Dear City of Nevada City,

Thank you for partnering with the U.S. Census Bureau to achieve a complete and accurate census count in 2010. Conducting the decennial census is a massive and vitally important undertaking—one which the Census Bureau could only accomplish with the help and support of partners like you. We appreciate the time and resources your organization dedicated in helping to ensure a successful 2010 Census.

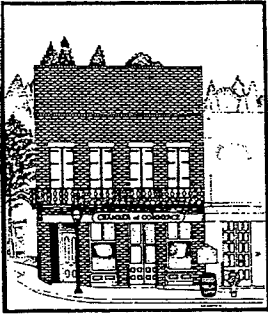
Your commitment to motivate the public to complete and return the census form will have a lasting impact. As a census partner, you can take pride in knowing that your organization helped ensure that the communities you serve are accurately represented in Congress and eligible for the funding needed for important community programs, services and facilities. The 2010 Census data will help your organization, community and government make strategically and fiscally sound decisions to spur and sustain economic development and growth, and improve the quality of life in every neighborhood.

Once again, thank you for your contributions to the 2010 Census effort. We value your partnership and look forward to continued opportunities to work together in the future.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ralph J. Lee", is positioned above the typed name.

Ralph J. Lee
Regional Director
Seattle Regional Census Center



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Members of the Nevada City Council
Mayor Robert Bergman, Sally Harris,
David McKay, Reinette Senum and
Duane Strawser

Ladies and Gentlemen:

At our August Board meeting the subject of Community Service Officers and ticketing came up and some questions were raised that we hope you will be able to answer. First of all we understand that parking, meters and ticketing can some times be a sensitive issue for the City and this letter is not in any way suggesting policy changes. We are seeking information only, and have just two questions.

1. What is the "defined" role of the CSO?
2. What is the work schedule of the CSO?

We thank you for your time and look forward to your response. If any of you feel you haven't attended enough meetings and would like to make a presentation at one of ours you would be most welcome. If you so desire you would be placed high on the agenda of our September 20 Board meeting.

Best Regards

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